

## GENERAL ITEMS.

**BLOWN people often say very sharp things.**  
Many Cincinnati pretenders are reported as saying that they can't be cured.

**WHAT is said to be a hornet's plenty, because it will burn you copiously.**

A BLACKSMITH cannot only shoe a horse himself, but he can make a horse shoe.

**QUEEN for mad hatters.—Do beavers hats and turtle heads usually go together?**

**CANVAS-BACK DUCKS are coming into the market in great numbers, decked with paper collars as a distinction.**

**HAPPY-NOSE'S reference for Thanksgiving Day—A turkey is equal to a great many pecks of corn.**

The Vermont Legislature has declined to abolish the death penalty, regarding it as a capital offense.

**WHAT is not considered to have much of a future unless her pulse beats 150 a minute? 150 is the natural pulsation of her heart!**

Ir is said that "lady dances" are growing in popularity throughout this winter.

These will give singular females opportunities for showing off.

**GASTILIAN HATS** are coming into fashion for ladies wear. For persons who have to go about much at night, cast-steel hats are more to the purpose.

A COW boy to get an angel crew is to pick a pretty girl friend and have a clever scream at once. Kissing her unawares will do as well.

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As unemployed labor throngs the streets of London it is probable that the companies will be able to fill the places of the strikers and light the city, and though the workmen have suffered injustice, there will be little disposition to uphold them in bringing inconvenience and annoyance to everybody even to those who have been injured. But it is likely that so long as the labor market is overstocked, great corporations will, in the main, be able to make their own price for it, and those who are not willing to accept them will be compelled to sell at a loss. Home where the great majority are to be their own employers.—*N. Y. Herald*, Dec. 5.

## Chinese Gambling.

We must notice in the first place that in spite of certain British prejudices, gambling is found at Hong Kong, as at Macao, and in the Chinese provinces. The attempt to suppress it is said to have caused such a general state of things that the licensing system had to be adopted as a means of regulation, but which in turn led to a great deal of money. The provision, indeed, is said to be so widely spread that we may easily believe that suppression would be difficult. The traveler at Hong Kong may everywhere see groups of men with sticks and cards, and a fund of very little money, or even nothing, to begin with, who seem to be playing a game.

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